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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Vadiraja Murthy and Edward R. Burns
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PETITION FOR A TWO MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby request a two month extension of time in connection with the above-identified application for filing a Continuing Prosecution Application (CPA) thereto. An Office Action was issued on March 30, 1999, and a response was timely filed on June 30, 1999. A check is enclosed to cover the \$190.00 fee for a two month extension of time for a small entity. Applicants' status as a small entity was previously established and is still proper. Accordingly, the subject application is pending as of August 30, 1999 for purposes of filing a Continuing Prosecution Application thereto. Authorization is hereby given to charge any additional extension of time fee necessary to preserve the pendency of the subject application to Deposit Account No. 01-1785.

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